

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI P. C. SETHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It was decided that the agitation was unreasonable and that the IOC should induct Home Guards to assist in the operation of the refinery and take appropriate action against agitators.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. for a few days the operation of the Refinery decreased to 25 per cent of its normal.

(e) The induction of the Home Guards and other special measures taken helped to improve the operation of the Refinery. The agitation ceased on April 2, 1981.

Withdrawal of Films from circulation

*718. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) are Government aware of any films—whether documentary or newsreel—withdrawn from theatrical circulation during 1977 to 1979;

(b) if so, how many and why; and

(c) what is the loss incurred?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c). In March, 1977 the Government asked the Films Division to carry out scrutiny of documentaries and newsreels being screened in the country and to withdraw from circulation all such documentaries and newsreels which are considered inappropriate. As a result of these instructions, the Films Division withdrew 40 documentary films from its theatrical circuit and 5 documentary films from its non-theatrical circuit apart from 22 Indian News Reviews. The Films Division was also asked not to release 4 films and abandon production of 2 films. One film entitled 'Freedom From Fear' was completed but the Films Division

was instructed not to release it. The total cost involved in production and distribution of the documentaries and newsreels withdrawn from circulation is approximately Rs. 1,66,00,000/-.

दूरदर्शन पर बच्चों की फिल्में दिखाना

*719. श्रीमती कृष्ण साही: क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या बाल फिल्म समिति द्वारा बनाई गई फिल्में दूरदर्शन पर नहीं दिखाई जाती हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि बच्चों के लिए मिनेमा हाल जाने की अंधा दूरदर्शन पर फिल्में देना सुविधाजनक है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार दूरदर्शन पर बच्चों की फिल्में दिखाने के लिए किसी प्रस्ताव पर विचार कर रही है ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री वसन्त साठे):

() हे. (ग). बाल फिल्म समिति द्वारा बनाई गई फिल्मों को, टेलीकास्ट करने के लिए दूरदर्शन द्वारा प्रसारित भुगतान की दरों की अस्वीकार्यता के कारण टेलीकास्ट करने के लिए दूरदर्शन द्वारा हासिल नहीं किया जा सका। तथापि, बाल फिल्म समिति अब टेलीकास्ट के लिए सहमत हुई दरों पर बाल फिल्में सप्लाय करने के लिए सहमत हो गई है। दूरदर्शन का विभिन्न दूरदर्शन केन्द्रों से टेलीकास्ट करने के लिए इन फिल्मों का उपयोग करने का प्रस्ताव है।

News Agencies running in Loss

*720. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPA-YEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) names of the Hindi and other news agencies which are running in loss;